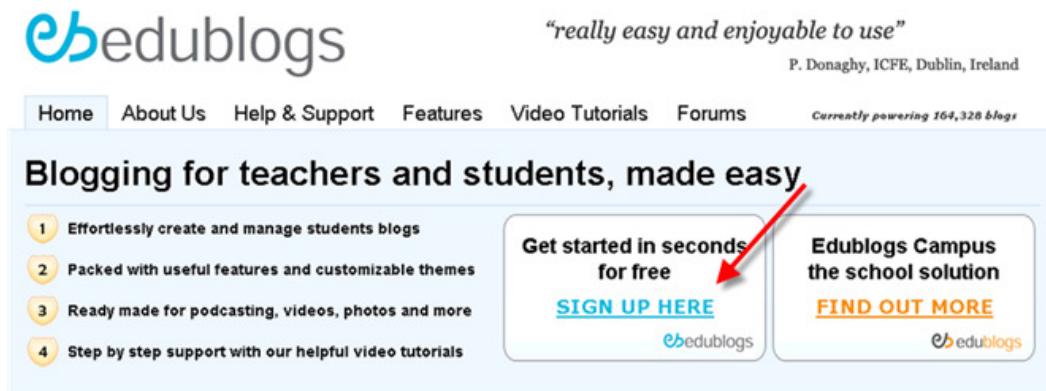


## Getting Started

To create your blog, go to <http://edublogs.org>, which will bring you to the registration page. Scroll to the *Sign Up Here* button and click!



The screenshot shows the edublogs homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, About Us, Help & Support, Features, Video Tutorials, and Forums. A quote "really easy and enjoyable to use" is attributed to P. Donaghy, ICFE, Dublin, Ireland. Below the navigation, a banner reads "Blogging for teachers and students, made easy". To the left, there is a list of four features with icons: 1. Effortlessly create and manage students blogs, 2. Packed with useful features and customizable themes, 3. Ready made for podcasting, videos, photos and more, and 4. Step by step support with our helpful video tutorials. To the right, there are two boxes: "Get started in seconds for free" with a "SIGN UP HERE" button and "edublogs" logo, and "Edublogs Campus the school solution" with a "FIND OUT MORE" button and "edublogs" logo. A red arrow points to the "SIGN UP HERE" button.

When the next screen appears, you will be asked to choose a username. You will always log into your Edublog - including future Edublogs that you create - using this original username. Your username is just about the only thing about your Edublog that you cannot later change. Add your email address, enter the verification code, and click on the *Next* button.

**Tip:**

1. Be sure you type in a correct email because if you make a mistake, the username you originally chose will no longer be available.
2. Spam filters, especially strict ones for institutional email addresses, block Edublogs emails from reaching users which will prevent you from setting up your account. In this case you should either try to use free webmail accounts that won't block the emails (such as gmail.com, hotmail.com or mail.yahoo.com)



The screenshot shows the registration form. The "Username" field contains "edubloggerfan2" with the note "(Must be at least 4 characters, letters and numbers only.)". The "Email Address" field contains "gdesler@egusd.net" with the note "(We'll send your password to this address, so triple-check it.)" and a note below: "\*\*\*NB: Please try not to use aol.com or school email addresses as filters can stop emails from us... please use [gmail](#), [hotmail](#), [yahoo](#) or other email accounts instead.\*\*\*". The "TOS" section contains a box with the text: "Edublogs.org is a site specifically for teachers, students, librarians, researchers, professors, administrators, corporate trainers and anyone else involved in education, by ticking the box below you agree that you fall into one of these groups." The "I Agree" checkbox is checked. The "Verification" section shows a CAPTCHA image with the number "6878" and a text input field containing "6878". Below the CAPTCHA are two radio buttons: "Gimme a blog!" (selected) and "Just a username, please.". At the bottom is a "Next »" button.

You can relax about choosing a *Blog Title* because, unlike your username, you can change the title of your blog whenever you wish. Enter your title, select your blog type (*teacher, student, other*) and click on the *Signup* button.

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Blog Domain:   
(Your address will be domain.edublogs.org/.Must be at least 4 characters, letters and numbers only. It cannot be changed so choose carefully!)

Blog Title:

Privacy:  Yes  No

Blog Type:

Language:

[Signup »](#)

When the next screen appears with your URL (i.e., [edubloggerfan2.edublogs.org/](http://edubloggerfan2.edublogs.org/) is Yours), you are almost ready to start blogging!

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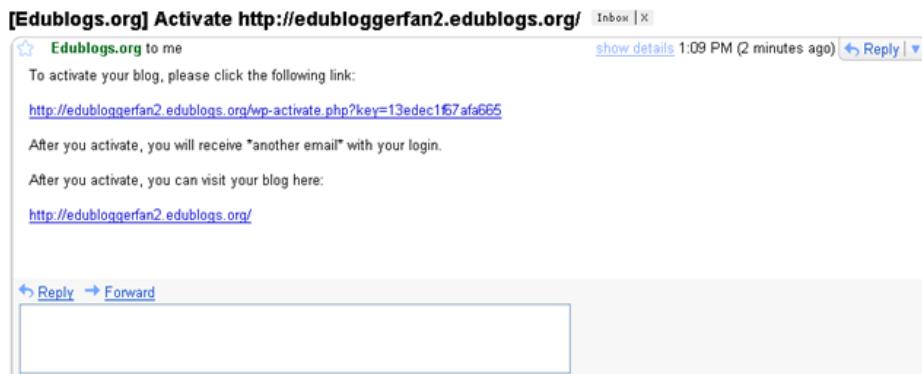
The blog [edubloggerfan2.edublogs.org/](http://edubloggerfan2.edublogs.org/) is yours

But, before you can start using your blog, **you must activate it**.

Check your inbox at [gdesler2@gmail.com](mailto:gdesler2@gmail.com) and click the link given.

If you do not activate your blog within two days, you will have to sign up again.

Check your email for a message from Edublogs with an activation link. Click on the activation link and head back to your email.



A second email should be heading into your box with your password – which you will want to change. Copy your password and click on *Login* [View your site shows you what your visitors will see. It's not your working area (dashboard)].

Your account is now active!

Username: Password:

edubloggerfan2

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Your account is now activate. [View your site](#) or [Login](#)

Enter your username and password.



Username  
edubloggerfan3

Password  
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Remember Me

Log In

[Lost your password?](#)

Login to your blog with the exact user name and password listed in your Edublog email. Click on the **Login** button.

If you're using a shared computer, it's always a good idea to deselect the *Remember Me* box.

Each time you visit your blog, you'll need to login. From your home page, locate the *Meta* section of the navigation bar. Click on *Login*.



**Note:** If you're already logged in, instead of *Login*, you will see **Site Admin**.

## Viewing Your Blog

There are two views in an Edublog: the *Dashboard*, which is your working area and the *Visit Site*, which is what visitors to your blog will see. Each time you login, you will initially enter the *Dashboard*. From this page, you can see any recent activity on your site and any recent announcements for Edublogs. In the *Latest Activity* box, you'll be able to see at a glance if anyone has made new comments to any of your posts, or if there are comments that need moderation.

The blue tabs on the left (*Write*, *Manage*, *Design*, *Comment*, *Upgrades*) will take you to the features you will use most often. On the right, are the tabs you will probably use less frequently (*Settings*, *Plugins*, *Users*). The orange bar is set to take you to *Write a New Page* or *Write a Post*. But first thing you'll want to do is change your password.

*Note to EB Veterans: Design = Presentation.*

